

Scientific Protein Laboratories LLC

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Congresswoman Tammy Baldwin 1020 Longworth H.O.B. Washington, DC 20515

Dear Honorable Congresswoman Baldwin,

Scientific Protein Laboratories LLC ("SPL") is a leading manufacturer of active pharmaceutical ingredients derived from biological sources. SPL's facility in Waunakee, Wisconsin has been in business for more than 30 years and employs more than 160 people. SPL's leading products, heparin and pancreatin, are both life-saving drugs.

Besides manufacturing and marketing our own products, SPL works closely with several biopharmaceutical companies to develop and to eventually manufacture new drugs to treat cancers and cardiovascular diseases, among other potential applications. Pharming is a biotechnology company with operations in DeForest, Wisconsin.

This appropriation request is for SPL's collaboration with Pharming to develop recombinant fibringen ("rFib") to stop bleeding, with potential life-saving results for both military and civilians.

Bleeding is the leading cause of preventable death in military casualties and the second-leading cause of death in civilian trauma. Fibrinogen has great potential to stop bleeding and save lives. All previous approaches to producing rFib were not successful because the technology could not produce the large quantities needed to treat patients. Using innovative technology, Pharming is developing rFib produced in milk of dairy cattle in Wisconsin, which has the potential to provide virtually unlimited amounts of rFib. To develop this technology and to produce pharmaceutical grade product for both clinical studies and future commercial use, a facility and production expertise are required. Such facilities and expertise are not widely available.

SPL fortunately possesses such expertise and a facility that can provide manufacturing services to Pharming. However SPL's facility requires certain modifications. After the modifications, SPL's facility will not only handle rFib, but will also provide a technology platform to attract other similar products to Wisconsin.

We highly appreciate your support for our appropriation request.

Sincerely,

David G. Strunce